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Mr. Jason Smathers
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RE: Request Number HQ-FOI-00493-12

Dear Mr. Smathers:

This is in response to your request for a fee waiver in connection with your Freedom of Information Act (FOIA) request to the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) seeking a copy of the memo/record: How and When to Purge Divisional Case Files of Material Which Could Prove Embarrassing if Released Under a FOIA or Congressional Request; as cited in the book Freedom at Risk by Richard Currey.

We have learned that the cost associated with processing your request does not reach the minimum billable amount. Accordingly, there is no charge associated with processing your request. The EPA Office of the Inspector General (OIG) will respond to your request for information.

If you have any questions, please contact me at (202) 566-1667.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, which appears to read "V. Warden for LFG", is written over the typed name.

Larry F. Gottesman
National FOIA Officer